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 Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, under Rule 136(a), to extend the time for response to the Final Office Action dated, January 7, 2004, for one month, from APRIL 7, 2004, to MAY 7, 2004.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the required fee for the extension of time to our Deposit Account No. 03-2468.

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